## **Introduced by Senator Lieu**

## February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 3822 of the Labor Code, relating to workers' compensation.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 888, as introduced, Lieu. Workers' compensation: fraud.

Existing law establishes a workers' compensation system, administered by the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation, to compensate an employee for injuries sustained in the course of his or her employment.

Existing law requires the administrative director, on an annual basis, to provide to every employer, claims adjuster, 3rd-party administrator, physician, and attorney who participates in the workers' compensation system, a notice that warns the recipient against committing workers' compensation fraud. Existing law requires that the notice specify the penalties that are applied for committing workers' compensation fraud.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3822 of the Labor Code is amended to 2 read:
- 3 3822. The administrative director shall, on an annual basis,
- 4 provide to every employer, claims adjuster, third party
- 5 administrator, physician, and attorney who participates in the

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- 1 workers' compensation system, a notice that warns the recipient
- 2 against committing workers' compensation fraud. The notice shall
- 3 specify *all* the penalties that are applied for committing workers'
- 4 compensation fraud. The Fraud Assessment Commission,
- 5 established by Section 1872.83 of the Insurance Code, shall provide
- 6 the administrative director with all funds necessary to carry out
- 7 this section.